

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1.-79. (previously canceled)

80. (currently amended) A feeding bottle for babies or young children comprising a container body having a rim at its open end and a closure therefor, wherein the container body before use has a removable cover protecting the interior thereof from contamination, characterized in that the cover is sealed over the rim and extends into the container body, whereby container bodies are stackable one within the other.

81. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 80, wherein the bottle further comprise a closure stackable within other like closures.

82. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 80, wherein the cover is adhered to the rim of the container body at its open end.

83. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 80, wherein the cover is made of flexible plastics material.

84. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 80, wherein the cover is non-stick relative to the material of the container body.

85. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 80, wherein the cover is made of polystyrene.

86. (currently amended) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 80, wherein the closure ~~component~~ includes a teat for the bottle.

87. (currently amended) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim ~~80~~ 86, wherein the teat is a separable component.

88. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 87 further comprising means for locking the teat in place.

89. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 88, wherein the locking means comprises a locking ring to clamp a flange of the teat between the closure and the ring.

90. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 86, wherein the teat is bonded or co-molded to the closure.

91. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 86, wherein the teat is attached to one end of the container body and the closure is attachable to the opposite end of the body.

92. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 86, wherein a cap is provided for protecting the teat.

93. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 92, wherein the cap is a press-fit over the teat onto the closure or sides of the body.

94. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 80, wherein the closure has a drinking spout.

95. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 94, wherein the spout has a slit for a drinking opening.

96. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed In claim 94, wherein the spout is situated close to an edge of the closure.

97. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 94, wherein the closure has a vent.

98. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed In claim 97, wherein the vent 1s in the form of a slit.

99. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 97, wherein the vent is in a depression of the closure.

100. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 94, wherein the spout has a slit for a drinking opening, the closure has a vent in the form of a slit, and the vent slit is shorter than the slit of the drinking spout.

101. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 94, wherein the spout is co-molded onto the closure.

102. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 101, wherein the vent is co-molded onto the closure.

103. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 80, wherein the closure is a screw cap.

104. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 80, wherein the closure is non-removable once the bottle has been filled.

105. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 104, wherein the closure and container include a ratchet mechanism.

106. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 80, wherein the closure is a snap-fit onto the body.

107. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 106, wherein a formation is provided on the body to inhibit removal of the closure.

108. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 107, wherein said formation is a rib to inhibit removal of the closure.

109. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 108, wherein the rib extends outwards to be substantially coterminous with the outer extent of the closure.

110. (previously presented) A feeding bottle as claimed in claim 80, wherein the closure is adapted or arranged to form a fluid tight seal with the container body.

111- 113. (canceled)

114. (currently amended) A container body for a feeding bottle for babies or young children, the container body having a rim at its open end, wherein the container body before use has a removable cover protecting the interior thereof from contamination, characterized in that the cover is sealed over the rim and extends into the container body, whereby container bodies are stackable one within the other.

115. (previously presented) A container body as claimed in claim 114, wherein the cover is made of flexible plastics material.

116. (previously presented) A container body as claimed in claim 114, wherein the cover is non-stick relative to the material of the container body.

117. (previously presented) A container body as claimed in claim 114, wherein the cover is made of polystyrene.

118. (previously presented) A stack of container bodies as claimed in claim 106 and closures therefor, wherein the stack is packaged in a sterile manner.

No new matter is added by this amendment.